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Governor Johnson of Minnesota, no guarantee of security to do in an interview in Chicago last Tuesday says: "There is no doubt of the extreme unpopularity of the Aldrich-Payne tariff measure in the States which I have visited since the bill passed. These include Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Kansas, the two Dakotas, Idaho and Montana. I have talked with thousands of men and I have not found one who would defend it. Republicans and Democrats all denounce the law as outrageous." Upon what he has observed and the sentiments he has heard expressed, Governor Johnson says the next Congress will inevitably be Democratic.

Candidates for the 1910 campaign are getting on the skirmish line. The Flat River papers announce that D. L. RIVERS, Esq., will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Circuit Judge in this circuit, and news comes to us from St. Genevieve that Hon. Peter H. Back, present Representative of that county in the lower branch of the General Assembly, will try for the same honor. We have also heard Judge Robert Anthony of Fredericktown mentioned in this connection, and there may be others. Judge Killian, now on the bench, is a Republican, and the circuit is very close politically, but they evidently have faith that a change in sentiment among the voters is imminent.

Mr. Rockefeller is opposed to the income tax. Naturally, for his income is millions every year, and if he lives a few years longer he will be a billionaire, a sum that can hardly be reckoned. His income tax would be immense, but would it be unjust or unreasonable? He does not need the money, indeed cannot begin to use it or make any useful disposition of it. The government protects him in the vast possession of his wealth, and but for this protection he would have no security for it. He does not pay for this protection in taxes in proportion to the poorer man who must pay on all his visible property. Why should he not pay his just share for the protection which the government affords him? Nothing but pure selfishness and greed can prompt him in his opposition to such a tax, for he would not miss the money he would have to pay under an income tax.

ALDRICH-CANNON VS. TAFT.

There is a probability of another split in the Republican party when Congress meets which will prove as disrupting as that of the tariff. President Taft has announced that he will advocate the establishing of postal savings banks in his annual message. This idea was set forth in the national platform of the Republican party as an offset to the Democratic policy of guaranteeing bank deposits.

But Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon, at the instance of the big financial plotters, have in view a scheme that embraces a great central national bank with which all other national banks must articulate, so to speak, and they will not permit any action on the President's recommendation until after the Monetary Conference reports, if then. "Uncle Joe" is said to be very much opposed to postal saving banks on the ground that they would reduce the business of the smaller banks of the country. He is certainly right in that, for it stands to reason that were postal savings banks instituted they would absorb and take out of circulation thousands of small deposits that now go to the commercial banks, as they would, be deemed safer than the banks which now furnish

But this central national bank scheme, of which it is said Senator Aldrich and Speaker Cannon will stand sponsors, what of it? Is it anything to be desired, and is the danger of the power which it would exert any less than it was in the days of Jackson when it took all the determination and force back of his administration to overthrow the old national bank charter? What a stupendous power such a system as that hinted at by this Monetary Conference of scheming financiers would exert over the financial and commercial transactions of the country?

Of course they will oppose the makeshift policy of postal savings banks, which President Taft feels himself called upon to recommend in his annual message as a platform pledge. They want none of it. Will the Republican party stand for it, as it did for the sham tariff revision which Aldrich and Cannon forced upon the country? And will President Taft be as weak in his contention for his postal savings bank policy as he was in his flunk on a "downward revision"?

That the North Pole has been reached by an American, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the explorer, and the Stars and Stripes unfurled on the exact site of the pole, is the most sensational news of the week. A dispatch was received from Copenhagen under date of September 1st, saying that Dr. Cook, after his perilous venture, was homeward bound on a Danish government steamer on the way to Denmark, and an account of his perilous trip and its success by the intrepid explorer was sent from London. Shetland, Islands. He reached the North Pole, according to the reports, on April 21, 1908. In the Doctor's language, he found "an endless field of purple snow—no life, no land, no spot to relieve the monotony of frost; we were the only pulsating creatures in a dead world of ice."

J. M. Elvins of Doe Run was in town this week and while here was exhibiting to his friends a couple of samples of lead ore taken from some mining property in which he is interested near Des Arc in Iron county. The samples are as good as can be found in any mine in the state, and Mr. Elvins is of the opinion that the time is not far distant when lead mines as rich as any to be found in St. Francois county will be operated in the Des Arc district. An effort is now being made to organize a company to develop the property. It is the intention of those interested in the proposition to sell stock to as many practical miners as possible, so that in addition to their regular wages the men who do the actual work will also share in the dividends.—Elvins Labor Herald.

The freight service between St. Louis and Ironton is rotten. We had a lot of paper shipped from St. Louis August 21st, and it reached here the evening of the 27th. Six days coming ninety miles. There is considerable complaint among shippers.—Ironton Register.

In contrast to the above we ordered a lot of paper last Monday to be sent by freight. The paper house received our letter Tuesday morning, and the paper arrived Wednesday morning, as quickly as it would if we had ordered it by express. It came via Bismarck over the Belmont branch.

Frederick Will of Potosi was returning from the funeral of his friend, Robert Evans, on the 19th ult., in a hack in company with others when he was suddenly stricken and died of heart disease before they reached town.

Some land in New Madrid county that was considered worth only \$3 or \$4 an acre ten years ago sold last week for \$75 an acre, and it was considered cheap for it on account of the rapid increase of prices of land, a result of the swamp drainage.

FARMINGTON BOY WINS THREE CUPS

Philip Pipkin "Cleans Up" at Jackson. Winning Five Mile, One Mile and Half-Mile Events—Receives Ovation on Return Home.

Philip Pipkin, the star athlete of Farmington, was victorious in every event he entered at the Jackson Home-Comers last week, winning first prize in the five-mile, one-mile and half-mile races. The prizes were handsome silver cups, engraved with the date and the name of the victor. In each race Pipkin so far outclassed the other entries that it was really not a race at all. The second man in the five-mile race was 1/4 miles behind at the finish, while he won the other races without exerting himself in the least. Pipkin also made more points than any other one man, while Charles Brown was the only entry from Farmington. He is loud in praise of the treatment accorded him by the officials of the Home-Comers' Association and the people of Jackson, and says it was one of the best managed meets he ever attended, which was due to the efforts of Mr. R. E. Stokes.

An effort will probably be made to arrange a five or ten mile race during the fair between Pipkin, Forshaw, Kishel and other distance stars of the State. Forshaw was a member of the American team which won the championship of the world at the Olympic games in London last year, and finished third in the Olympic Marathon. Because of his slow-going competitors at Jackson Pipkin did not exert himself to come up to his fastest time, making the five miles in about 31 minutes, 5 minutes more than his record. The world's amateur record for 5 miles is 24:53. The professional record is 24:40. Philip's friends are confident that on a good track he can break the record.

A large crowd of "sport fiends" met Pipkin at DeLassus with a special car Sunday afternoon. He was carried from the train to the car on the shoulders of admiring friends and escorted to his home, where Mr. John Doughty made an appropriate address.

The annual reunion of Confederate Veterans at Kennett on August 30th was a big success in every way. There was a barbecue and speeches and automobile rides for the old soldiers.

OPENING OF ELMWOOD.

The opening exercises of Elmwood on last Wednesday morning were well attended by students enrolling and by patrons and friends of the institution. As has been his custom for a number of years past, Rev. G. W. Harlan offered the opening prayer. After the reading of a Scriptural selection and a solo by Miss Clark, brief addresses were made by Rev. Wm. Court, Rev. S. P. Brite and Hon. R. H. Marbury. Mr. Marbury spoke of the old-fashioned of the teachers of a school to the parents and children, standing as they did in the place of the pure Christian training as well as that of the mind.

Rev. Mr. Brite spoke of the influence brought into lives of children and young people by Christian teachers, emphasizing that in these formative years character was being formed. He also spoke of the Christian influence.

Rev. Mr. Court spoke of the privileges enjoyed by a community in which there were schools under distinctively Christian influences. In a pleasing manner he dwelt upon the general features of the work in such a school.

Miss Montgomery was introduced as the president of the school and in turn introduced several of the teachers, who outlined the work of their departments. Miss Brown told of the proposed work in the Art Department, which included work in china, designing, brassy and leather work, drawing and painting. Drawing and water color work will be given the entire school, with the exception of the Junior and Senior years, as a part of the course of study.

Miss Simmons, who has charge of Domestic Arts and Sciences, told of the work in these departments. She stated that sewing will be taught the Junior and Senior years. Classes will also be formed for all who desire in sewing, hand and machine, garment making, pattern designing, etc. Also in interior decoration. As soon as a class of ten is formed work in cooking and kindred branches will be commenced.

In enrollment for the first day and planning exercises, the opening of Elmwood was successful.

The largest ear of corn ever grown in this country is one from the farm of W. B. Adams of Butler county. Its measurements are sixteen inches in length, 12 1/2 inches in circumference at the thickest point; 6 1/2 inches thick; weight, 2 1/2 pounds. The largest ear of corn on record by the Government is one fourteen inches long.

See Styles and Samples Fall and Winter 1909-10

We are Exclusive Agents for the American Ladies' Tailoring Co., and are showing 180 different samples of the very latest productions in cloth and over 500 colored suits of cloths, suits, etc. You have all these samples and styles to select from, any of which will be made to your individual measure, hand-tailored and every garment a perfect fit. This is the most elaborate display ever shown in Farmington. You are cordially invited to come and see this splendid display. The season for fall dresses, skirts and coats is now here. Mr. Russell and Miss McCormick will be more than delighted to show you these samples and styles and take your measure.

Cole & Nixon Merc. Co.

WHO IS THE MAN?

Some time ago Postmaster General Hitchcock announced that he would like suggestions for some kind of a celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of the establishment of rural delivery. A recent telegram from Washington announced that the plan of a Farmington, Mo., man pleased the Postmaster General more than any other suggested. The plan was that every beneficiary of the rural route contribute one penny, which would amount to between two and three hundred thousand dollars, and that this fund be used for the erection of a children's hospital. The man's name was not given. Who is he? His suggestion is worthy of favorable consideration.

NAME OF ST. FRANCOIS

COUNTY CREEK CHANGED.

Washington, Aug. 31.—The United States Geographic Board, which is the court of last resort on all questions concerning geographic names which arise in the Government departments, has decided that Harris Branch shall hereafter be the name of the stream in St. Francois County, Missouri, which is tributary to Flat River, near Elvins. The river is sometimes called Harris Branch, Kennedy Branch, Patterson Branch and Tolman Branch.

A decision also has been reached that Mine Lamotte shall be the correct way of spelling the name of a town in Madison County, Missouri, and not Mine La Motte.

LICENSED TO MARRY.

Aug. 27, Chas. A. Carrow of Frankfort and Miss Carrie A. Requette of Lawrenceton.

27th, B. M. Hayes and Miss Pearl May Pollette of Doe Run.

30th, Barney M. Whaley of Dossage and Miss Mattie Carter of Melzo.

31st, Samuel P. Collier and Miss Lizzie E. Rapp of Flat River.

Sep. 1, Frank Peipers and Miss Oona Ogle of St. Louis.

A \$5,000,000 CORPORATION.

The Lead, Barytes and Mercantile Company of Washington county, with a paid-up capital stock of \$5,000,000, has just been incorporated under the laws of Missouri. Edwin J. White of Yarmouth, Mass., owns 498,947 shares, George Higginbotham of Potosi 1,000 shares, W. D. Eisenberg of St. Louis 50 shares, and three other men own one share each. The Company's headquarters will be at Potosi. This is said to be the largest capitalized company ever incorporated in this State.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the undersigned, County Highway Engineer, to 1 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday, the 7th day of September, 1909, for repairs and improvements of approach to the Hopkins bridge, on the Perrine road, in accordance with plans on file in the office of the County Clerk.

THOS. H. HOLMAN,
County Highway Engineer.

Grand Firemen's Picnic

by the
Farmington Fire Department
at
Woodland Park
on
Labor Day, Sept. 6th

PROGRAMME:

Tug of War, 11 o'clock, \$4.50.

Grand Tournament, 11:30, \$2.00 and \$1.00

Shoe Race for Boys under 14, 1 o'clock, \$1.00 and 50c.

Speaking by Mayor W. R. Taylor at 1:30 o'clock.

Climbing Greasy Pole, 2 o'clock, \$2.00.

Ladies' Contest, 2:30, Silk Parasol.

Ball Game, Farmington vs Fredericktown, 3 o'clock.

200-yard dash, 4:30 o'clock, \$2.

Marathon Race, Farmington to Park, leave Farmington at 5:30; two prizes, Silver Cups.

Steam Swing and Other Amusements. Hot Coffee, Lunch and Other Refreshments Served by Firemen. Everything as Advertised. Music by a Special Band. Special cars from Farmington and Flat River; round trip 15c. In Case of All Day Rain, Picnic Next Day.